

Agency 60 - Nebraska Ethanol Board

Statutory Authority:

The statutory authority and enabling language for the Nebraska Ethanol Board are contained in Chapter 66, Sections 1335-1348 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

Vision Statement:

The NEB envisions the development of procedures and processes by which ethanol motor fuels and attendant co-products are manufactured using Nebraska produced grain and other agriculturally derived feedstocks. The Ethanol Development Act declares a public policy to "safeguard the life, health, property, and public welfare of its citizens with the production, sale and use of motor fuels." The NEB is dedicated to the production and use of motor fuel containing ethyl alcohol made from agricultural crops and residue. The industry adds value to raw agricultural products, creates jobs for Nebraskans, and enhances general economic activity in the state.

Mission Statement:

The NEB mission is contained in statute. The Board shall: Establish necessary procedures and processes to manufacture and market ethanol; Establish necessary procedures and processes to manufacture and market co-products; Analyze marketing processes and test marketing procedures to assure market acceptance; Sponsor appropriate research to develop industrial and commercial uses for co-products; Promote state and national air quality programs; Influence federal legislation encouraging the use of ethanol; Promote the use of ethanol as a partial replacement for imported oil; Participate in the development of national legislation; Promote the use of fuels oxygenated with ethanol.

Goals:

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2. Attract new production facilities to the state.
3. Establish new uses and markets for ethanol and its co-products.
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Financial Data:

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Program Objectives:

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Performance Measures:

The NEB ultimately gauges effectiveness of policies and programs with simple statistical devices that measure growth in the ethanol industry. The number of operating plants in the state has increased from six to twelve in the last biennium. Production in the state has risen from 390 million gallons per year in FY 2005 to 650 million gallons per year in FY 2007. Nearly 240 million bushels of Nebraska grain, about 22% of the state's annual corn crop, will be processed in local plants during FY 2007.